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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Robert T. Mallet et al.  
Serial No.: 10/032,728  
Filing Date: December 28, 2001  
Examiner: Vera Afremova  
Group Art Unit: 1651  
Title: PYRUVATE CARDIOPLEGIA SOLUTIONS FOR  
ADMINISTRATION TO THE HEART DURING  
CARDIOPULMONARY SURGERY AND METHODS  
OF USE THEREOF

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2002, Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute Group II (Claims 7-17), which the Examiner defined as claims "drawn to a method for performing cardiopulmonary bypass surgery by administering a composition with pyruvate." Claims 1-6 and 18 are withdrawn from the above-identified

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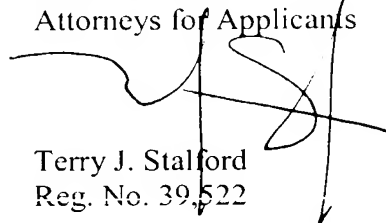
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Applicants believe that no fee is due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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